

II. REMARKS

Claim 1 is amended to add a comma inadvertently omitted from element (d).

Claim 31 is amended to replace icon with graphic symbol and to clarify the claim.

Claim 32 is amended to add members to the group and to clarify the claim.

Claim 33 is amended to clarify the link between the successive locations and the dwell events in the claim.

Claim 34 is amended to comport with the amended language of its parent claim.

Claim 39 is amended to add a descriptor to the means for delimiting, the location, and the selectable region recited in this claim to distinguish each of these in dependent claims, and to clarify the claim.

Claim 40 is amended to clarify the link between the selection means and the switch operation.

Claim 41 is amended to correct a typographic error.

Each of claims 45 and 49 is amended substantially.

Claim 51 is amended to depend from claim 39, to comport with the amended language of its parent claim, and to clarify the interaction between the selection means and the application program.

Claim 52 is amended to tie the menu options in the body of the claim to the menu options in the claim preamble.

Each of claims 19, 28, 29, 31, 35, 47, and 54 is amended to clarify the claim.

Claims 206 through 276 are new.

No new matter is added.

In these Remarks, paragraph numbers are not sequential, but refer to corresponding paragraph numbers in the Office Action.

2, 4, 5, 6. In the Office Action, Examiner states that “[a] timely filed terminal disclaimer ... may be used to overcome an actual or provisional rejection based on nonstatutory double patenting” (Office Action, p.9). Applicant has already filed such a terminal disclaimer in this application. Specifically, on 28 September 1998 Applicant filed in this application Terminal Disclaimer, Applicant Document No. 032-24. At the that time, neither U.S. Patent No. 6,160,536 (referenced in Office Action paragraph 5) nor U.S. Patent No. 6,005,549 ,536 (referenced in Office Action paragraph 6) had issued, but both were pending as U.S. Application Serial Nos. 08/913,822 and 08/506,445 (“copending applications”), respectively. The Terminal Disclaimer explicitly references these copending application and by its

terms applies to any United States patent granted on the copending applications.

On request, Applicant will gladly provide the Examiner with a copy of each of: (a) the Terminal Disclaimer, (b) the Certificate of Mailing filed contemporaneously with the Terminal Disclaimer, and (c) the postcard receipt stamped by the Office acknowledging receipt of the Terminal Disclaimer.

5       3.    Applicant wishes to state for the record that the claims recite a new, useful and nonobvious combination of elements or steps. Patentability in Applicant's view is not predicated merely on (a) any single element or subcombination of elements of a claimed apparatus, or (b) any single step or subcombination of steps of a claimed method, being deemed novel.

Favorable reconsideration of the Application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

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